House Resolution No. 364

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Dwight Thompson, of Doniphan, Missouri, who is the proud recipient of the Ripley County Chamber of Commerce's Citizen of the Year Award, presented on February 9, 2008, at the First Baptist Church New Life Center in Doniphan; and

Whereas, the Citizen of the Year Award honors a local individual for his or her outstanding support and commitment to the community; and

Whereas, Dwight Thompson was selected primarily for his outstanding contributions in the areas of the American Cancer Society Relay for Life and Timberfest, a project designed to recognize the role that the timber industry has played in the history of the area; and

Whereas, Dwight Thompson initiated both of these efforts while serving as a member of the Ripley County Chamber of Commerce Board; and

Whereas, Dwight Thompson is the local manager for Windstream Communications, a subsidiary of Alltel, in both Doniphan and Piedmont, and he has worked for the company since graduating from Couch High School in 1973; and

Whereas, Dwight Thompson is a member of the Rotary Club at Piedmont, and he has also served as a member of the Kiwanis and Jaycee's clubs and enjoyed coaching youth ball teams; and

Whereas, Dwight Thompson and his wife Brenda, are the proud parents of four children, Brandon Thompson and Dana Rhodes, both of whom reside in Memphis, Tennessee, and Mandi Gregory and Laramy Gregory, who make their homes in Poplar Bluff, Missouri; and the Thompsons are the devoted grandparents of six granchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to applaud the selection of Dwight Thompson as Ripley County Chamber of Commerce's Citizen of the Year, with our best wishes for every success in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Dwight Thompson.

Offered by _______ Representative Mike Dethrow

Representative Mike Dethrow District No. 153

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 364, adopted January 31, 2008.